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| 1. The Notice of Appeal filed on is not acceptable | ple because: | | | |
| (a) it was not timely filed. | | | | |
| (b) \square the statutory fee for filing the appeal was not s | submitted. See 37 CFR 41.20(b)(1). | | | |
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| (e) the appeal is not in compliance with 37 CFR 4 | 11.31(a)(1) in that no claim has been twice rejected. | | | |
| (f) a Notice of Allowability, PTO-37, was mailed by | by the Office on | | | |
| 2. The appeal brief filed on is NOT acceptable | for the reason(s) indicated below: | | | |
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| The appeal in this application will be dismissed unles brief and requisite fee. See 37 CFR 41.37(a)(1). Extens See 37 CFR 41.37(e). | | | | |
| 3. 🛮 The appeal in this application is DISMISSED becau | ise: | | | |
| | under 37 CFR 41.20(b)(2) was not timely submitted and the e the brief under 37 CFR 1.136(a) has expired. | | | |
| (b) the brief was not timely filed and the period for obtaining an extension of time to file the brief under 37 CFR 1.136(a) has expired. | | | | |
| (c) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 was filed on | | | | |
| (d) | | | | |
| 4. 🛛 Because of the dismissal of the appeal, this applica | tion: | | | |
| (a) 🛛 is abandoned because there are no allowed claims. | | | | |
| (b) is before the examiner for final disposition because it contains allowed claims. Prosecution on the merits remains CLOSED. | | | | |
| (c) is before the examiner for consideration. | | | | |
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